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SUBJ: POLADS MEETING, OCTOBER 2

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SUMMARY: POLADS REVIEWED ALLIED POSITIONS ON ATTENDANCE AT
WORLD CONFERENCE OF PEACE FORCES IN MOSCOW AND ON REPLIES
TO UNSYG'S REPORT ON NAPALM. REPORT ON NON-ALIGNED
CONFERENCE IN ALGIERS WILL BE DISCUSSED FURTHER AT NEXT MEETING
OCTOBER 8. END SUMMARY.

1. SOVIET DEVELOPMENTS. CANADIAN REP CIRCULATED ANALYSIS
OF "SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY AIMS" PREPARED BY AMBASSADOR IN
MOSCOW, IN WHICH PARAMOUNT SOVIET AIM IDENTIFIED AS CON-
FIRMING SUPERPOWER STATUS BY MEANS OF BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP
WITH U.S. TEXT OF ANALYSIS POUCHED STATE/RPM AND MOSCOW.
POLADS GAVE INITIAL REACTIONS TO I.S. DRAFT ON SOVIET
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INTERNAL DEVELOPMENTS, FOCUSING ON CHANGES IN TENOR OF
ANTI-DISSIDENT CAMPAIGN. REDRAFT BASED ON COMMENTS WILL BE
DISCUSSED AT NEXT MEETING.

2. ATTENDANCE AT WORLD CONFERENCE OF PEACE FORCES. IN DISCUSSION, CONSENSUS APPEARED TO BE DEVELOPING AROUND STATEMENT BY US. REP BASED ON STATE 194566. ALL REPS WHO SPOKE ON ISSUE SAID THEIR AMBASSADORS WOULD NOT GO TO FORMAL CONFERENCE OPENING, BUT MIGHT ATTEND SOCIAL FUNCTIONS FOR UNSYG WALDHEIM IF HE VISITED MOSCOW DURING CONFERENCE. CHAIRMAN SUGGESTED THAT FURTHER COORDINATION BE ACCOMPLISHED AMONG ALLIED EMBASSIES IN MOSCOW, BUT CANADIAN REP ASKED FOR RESUMED POLADS DISCUSSION AT NEXT MEETING IN HOPES OF CLEAR CONSENSUS.

3. NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE, ALGIERS. AFTER SOME DISCUSSION, POLADS AGREED TO RETURN TO DOCUMENT NEXT WEEK.

4. COORDINATION OF COMMENTS ON UNSYG'S REPORT ON NAPALM. IN RESPONSE TO EARLIER REQUEST FOR MC COMMENTS ON REPORT, MC REP ANNOUNCED THAT WEAPONS WERE IN ARSENALS OF MOST COUNTRIES AND THAT MC HAD DECLINED TO COMMENT ON GROUNDS THAT "DISCUSSION OF USE OF THESE WEAPONS IS CONSIDERED TO BE A NATIONAL MATTER." POLADS DISCUSSED BELGIAN REPLY TO UNSYG, WHICH OBSERVES THAT USE OF INCENDIARIES AGAINST CIVILIANS IS PROHIBITED IN INTERNATIONAL LAW, BUT FURTHER CONTROLS, SUCH AS LIMITS ON PRODUCTION OR MILITARY USE, WOULD BE COMPLEX AND SHOULD BE SOUGHT IN CCD, IF AT ALL, RATHER THAN AT 1974 CONFERENCE ON ICRC DRAFT PROTOCOLS. UK, NETHERLANDS, AND CANADIAN REPS SAID THEIR GOVERNMENTS HELD SIMILAR VIEW. ITALIAN REP INQUIRED WHETHER ALL ALLIES HAD RESPONDED TO UNSYG OR INTENDED TO DO SO, SINCE ITALY WOULD PREFER NOT TO UNLESS IT WOULD BE ALONE. DENMARK AND NETHERLANDS HAD REPLIED. NORWAY AND CANADA INTENDED TO. TURKISH AND UK REPS WERE UNCERTAIN. U.S. REP SAID U.S. HAD SENT BRIEF, NON-SUBSTANTIVE REPLY. FRG SAID IT HAD NOT REPLIED BECAUSE IT WAS NOT UN MEMBER WHEN UNSYG'S LETTER SENT. CHAIRMAN SAID DISARMAMENT EXPERTS CHAIRMAN WOULD BRIEF ON THIS DISCUSSION AT NATO MEETING NEXT WEEK.

5. FRG DRAFT FOR CSCE ON MILITARY ASPECTS OF SECURITY. ONLY COMMENT WAS FROM DUTCH REP, WHO PREDICTABLY FOUND SECOND CONFIDENTIAL

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OPERATIVE CLAUSE OF FRG DRAFT (USNATO 4197) TOO WEAK AND VAGUE.

6. IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE 192959 POLADS AGREED TO DROP ITEM ON SALT AND MBFR FROM AGENDA FOR EAST EUROPEAN EXPERTS MEETING.

7. NEXT POLADS MEETING WILL BE OCTOBER 8, TO ACCOMMODATE MEETINGS OF MBFR AD HOC GROUP AND DISARMAMENT EXPERTS, BOTH OF WHICH BEGIN OCTOBER 9. RUMSFELD

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